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SOWING THE SEED.

The Japanese-American question can be peaceably solved. It will be peaceably solved.

This is the unmistakable impression gained from reading Japanese comment upon the visit of Dr. Shailer Mathews and Dr. Sidney L. Gulick, who returned today from their "good-will mission" to Japan.

More than a year ago, when a proposal was afoot in Honolulu to memorialize Congress in favor of granting naturalization to the Japanese, it was the Star-Bulletin's comment that the great question of Pacific relations was not likely to be settled through the detail of any plan then proposed, but that free and unprejudiced discussion both in Japan and America would eventually bring the solution. We see no reason now to modify that comment. The developments indeed have but confirmed its applicability.

The "mission of goodwill" undertaken by Dr. Mathews and Dr. Gulick has been signally successful, though no definite plan of agreement between the two countries has been settled. It has been signally successful in the sense that it has aroused favorable interest, sincere appreciation and intelligent discussion in the island empire. Dr. Gulick as professor of the Doshisha university and as a Christian educator with twenty years of residence in Japan, already had the respect, the liking and the confidence of the Japanese people. Dr. Mathews was no stranger—his reputation had preceded him. Their personal achievements lent weight to their opinions, and the stalwart support of the Christian churches of America was a guarantee that a very large part of the American people shared their kindly sentiments toward the Japanese.

The Japanese were in a receptive mood and the two men, indefatigable workers, did not spare themselves in their efforts to place before the people the earnest desire of America to work with the Orient in solving this pressing problem.

As a result, Japanese newspaper comment has been very markedly of an appreciative tone. The Star-Bulletin has noticed, among others, the Tokio Jiji, the Mainichi, the Chugai Shogyo, the Yomiuri, the Nishi Nishi and the Hochi—representative of a widely diverse clientele—as definitely impressed with the desire of America to reach a just and equitable solution of the problem.

In principle not an important Japanese newspaper whose editorials we have been able to secure has disagreed with the broadly-based expressions of Dr. Gulick and Dr. Mathews. In detail many find themselves unable to agree. But the Tokio press is a unit in declaring that Dr. Gulick is on the right road to a solution.

The accomplishment of this "good-will mission" has been that of sowing the seed—more, of preparing the ground. Dr. Gulick and Dr. Mathews uprooted many of the weeds of misunderstanding and misapprehension. They planted the seed of mutual respect and desire for cooperation. In this their mission has been brilliantly successful.

The attorney for the Honolulu brewery lays stress on the amount of taxes paid by the company here and the extent of its pay-roll. Why not a little discussion of the extent to which the brewery or its manager are interested in retail liquor businesses? A direct charge was made a few days ago that in violation of law the wholesalers are participating in the retail trade.

A legislative bill proposes to bond auto-drivers in the sum of \$5000 so that if any accident occurs through their negligence the victim or the aggrieved party can recover damages. This brings up the question of fixing the responsibility. Coroner's juries in the past have been decidedly timid about declaring drivers negligent. Even fatal accidents are lightly passed over.

It is now time for Mexico's minister of marine, whoever they are, to declare a submarine blockade of Coos Bay and Bar Harbor.

W. J. B. says public men should think with their mouths closed. He never did worry about precedent.

We suspect Uncle Sam's latest note to Carranza was not of the billet doux variety.

A wife-beater who gets only two months in jail is entitled to congratulations.

A VISITOR HAWAII SHOULD SECURE.

An excellent suggestion has been made that Dr. A. C. True, director of experiment stations in the department of agriculture, should be invited to Hawaii with the party of Congressmen and other officials coming in May.

A visit from Dr. True would be distinctly in order at any time, since the federal government maintains an important experiment station and allied branches in this territory. A visit from him at this particular time would be highly beneficial. There is on foot a plan to amalgamate the experiment station and the College of Hawaii—to work out a system in conjunction with the territorial work. The arguments for the plan have been ably presented and passed upon by the Chamber of Commerce. Congressional action will be needed to perfect the plan and it may not meet with favor in the department of agriculture unless a good deal of first-hand information is placed before the office of experiment stations. To secure a visit from the director of that office would be the best possible move.

The federal government's interest in Hawaii is close and vital. It may be taken for granted that the department of agriculture or any other department desires to do what is best for the territory. If there is an argument as to what is best in the present instance, personal inspection will be the quickest and most satisfactory way of getting theory and facts coordinated.

TEACHERS' PENSIONS.

Theoretically, at least, the teachers' pension idea is a sound one. The present bill before the house of representatives may or may not contain the best method of administering it but the general principle is good and eventually some sort of system should be enacted.

School teachers are proverbially underpaid and overworked. On their salaries they manifestly are unable to save enough to support them when the terrible strain of the classroom has compelled them to retire. The alternatives for those without an independent income are dependence on others in their old age or change at an early age to some more profitable occupation. The first is repugnant because the pauperization of public servants must be repugnant; the latter is detrimental to the school system because a teacher's efficiency in most cases is in some proportion to his or her length of service.

The mechanical problems of administering a pension are difficult, however, and the legislature should go slow. Thousands of dollars of the public's money and public employees' money has been wasted in other communities because systems have been established without any study or knowledge of conditions. Let the legislators find out first whether the teachers of the territory want a pension, then what kind they want. Then with the aid of experts the lawmakers can devise a fund that will stand.

This probably means no legislation at the present session—which is better than unwise legislation.

Why shouldn't the fence around the Capitol grounds come down? It has served its purpose and its doubtful utilitarian status at this time isn't doubt of an argument as against its admitted ugliness. The statement that the fence is a protection for the lawns against depredatory feet carries little weight in view of the fact that the lawns are now ruthlessly trampled, blemished with old papers blowing about, and in many spots practically devoid of grass. It might be wise to retain a low stone wall around the square but the high iron pickets add nothing to usefulness and a great deal to ugliness.

Watchful waiting wearies Wilson. Carranza's clumsy cunning can't conceal chaotic conditions. Prominent Powers press persistently. Answer: Administration abandons apathy, assumes aroused attitude.

"Allies Silence Three Batteries in Dardanelles" but the Sublime Porte's official announcer sticks bravely by his pen.

Evidently the brewery management believes it is not violating neutrality by going after Australian business.

It is just possible that some people are mistaking America's unwillingness for unpreparedness.

JAPAN CORDIAL TO 'GOOD-WILL MISSION' WORK

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In the commercial line is remarkably advanced.

A point in naturalization arose through a difference in opinion in the foreign office. According to the present laws a Japanese born in America has a double citizenship, but it is understood that the Japanese government might consider revising the laws as to the nationality of children born in foreign countries. Another point of the Japanese situation is the adjustment of internal conditions and the transition from the feudal to the industrial system.

Dr. Gulick to Visit Here.

Dr. Mathews will continue his return to the mainland on the Mongolia, but Dr. Gulick will spend some time in the islands. His itinerary includes Hawaii, where he will spend five days, Maui, and Kaula, and Oahu. Rev. Frank Souder will accompany him. Dr. Gulick will work in the educational campaign in America for a year and then return to the Doshisha University.

Emissaries Are Praised.

The universities and newspapers of Japan unite in their praise of the work done by the two good will emissaries from America. The Hochi writes that the mission of Mr. Mathews and Dr. Gulick was most timely and should become the basis of a permanent friendship with a better understanding between Japan and America.

The doors of all the educational institutions were thrown wide open for the representatives of America. On February 10 they spoke before the students and faculty of Waseda University, and were the guests of honor at a luncheon given by Premier Okuma. The American ambassador, Hon. George W. Guthrie, was among those present.

Dr. Mathews addressed the Women's University, Joshi Dai Gakko, on February 11. His subject was "Recent Tendencies in American Education." After being entertained by the president, he was hurried to Yokohama where he addressed the Christian leaders in the Shinto church on "The Importance of the Church." His address was translated into Japanese by Dr. Chiba.

The newspaper men of Tokio claimed the visitors for the afternoon of February 12. Dr. Mathews explained to them the true nature of their mission as religious workers in the interests of international peace. Their mission embodied two things, namely to obtain information in order to enable them to carry on their campaign in America, and also to tell the Japanese that America has no enemy toward Japan. He explained the constitutional relations existing between the federal and state governments, which has been a cause of the Californian trouble. But Japanese-American issues are very difficult to solve as they involve economic and labor questions. After referring to the message of good will from President Wilson and Secretary Bryan, he said that a peaceful solution can be found. He discredited rumors about the imperialistic ambitions of America. He had 65 letters from prominent American citizens showing that America had no imperialistic ambitions at all. Dr. Mathews then said that he was proud of the American attitude in not intervening in the affairs of Mexico, although there was ample justification for America to do so. To the Philippines self-government has been promised, when they become capable of self-government. It is no empty promise, but a definite undertaking by America. America is now training the natives to govern themselves by employing them in responsible positions. Dr. Mathews finally paid a tribute to Japan's graceful attitude in participating in the Panama-Pacific exposition.

Dr. Gulick and Dr. Mathews will be the guests of honor at a dinner at the University Club at 6:30 this evening at which plans for broadening the work will be discussed. W. R. Castle will preside. The dinner itself is invitational but after 7:30 an invitation is extended to all interested persons to hear the discussion.

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LITTLE INTERVIEWS

LICENSE INSPECTOR FENNEL: A big gambling game is running wide open at Kahuku. It ought to be stopped. We were in it Saturday night and arrested the proprietor for selling liquor without a license.

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DWELLINGS FOR RENT.

FURNISHED HOUSES.		
1165 Adams Lane	4 bedrooms	\$40.00
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1146 Gulick Ave., Kalia	2 bedrooms	\$35.00
1475 Thurston Ave.	5 bedrooms	40.00
1563 Wilder Ave.	3 bedrooms	40.00
1326 Kapiolani St.	3 bedrooms	40.00
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Ferdinand and Adolph Sts., Manoa	2 bedrooms	45.00
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Cottages Nos. 2 and 3, Auld lane	3 bedrooms	16.00
Aloha lane, off King St.	3 bedrooms	17.50

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Personal Mention

JULES P. REGO of B. F. Ehlers & Co. returned in the Sierra from San Francisco, following an extended tour of the East.

O. T. SHIPMAN, tax assessor of the Island of Hawaii, is in the city on official business, having arrived in the Matsushiro from Hilo Saturday.

T. L. DEASY of Cleveland has returned to his home after a visit here which he found so delightful he expects to bring a party next summer.

E. B. DAVIS, owner of a large rubber estate in the Federated Malay states, is a passenger in the Mongolia to the United States and Great Britain.

W. H. ELDRIDGE, a prominent businessman of Omaha, has completed a round trip to the Orient. He is returning to the coast in the steamer Mongolia.

V. B. WILSON, representative of a large rubber importing company with headquarters at Yokohama, is making a business trip to the mainland in the Mongolia.

MISS M. O'CONNELL, sisters of Daniel O'Connell, a leading Philippine journalist, are returning from an extended visit to the Orient in the Mongolia.

MISS R. B. BROWNLEE of Oklahoma City has extensively toured Japan, China and India and is returning to the mainland to visit the Panama Pacific exposition.

CHARLES F. PREUSSER, connected with one of Manila's large jewelry manufacturing companies, is a through passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia to the coast.

H. W. ANDREWS of Andrews & George, a prominent shipping and commission firm in Japan, is on a business mission to the mainland. He is a passenger in the steamer Mongolia.

JOHN BELL WILSON will return by the Matsushiro tomorrow to his home in Sutter county, California, after spending several weeks on the islands, renewing old acquaintances of 38 years ago and making new friends.

G. BODEN, manager of the Deutsche Bank at Yokohama, who says that he has been obliged to leave the country because of the war, is proceeding to the United States in the steamer Mongolia. He may attempt to return to Germany.

ROBERT A. McCORRY, a pioneer merchant of Manila, with Mrs. McCORRY, is making a business and pleasure trip to the mainland. He will remain some months on the coast, visiting the exposition before returning to the Philippines.

E. L. McADAMS, interested in the exportation of millions of eggs from the China coast to San Francisco and Puget sound, is making a business trip to the mainland in the Mongolia. McAdams is known along the coast of Asia as the "egg king."

J. WALTER DOYLE, who has been appointed director of publicity for the Hawaii fair commission, expects to leave on the Matsushiro tomorrow. In addition to his duties at the Hawaii building he will act as special correspondent for the island papers.

ADMIRALS WILL HOLD RANK ONLY DURING COMMAND

Rear-Admiral C. H. T. Moore has received a cablegram from the navy department briefing the contents of the naval appropriation bill. Of special interest to Hawaii is the fact that the high power radio station at Pearl Harbor is not eliminated.

Following is a copy of the message, in skeleton form:
Appropriation bill passed both houses with following important provisions: Establishes chief of naval operations, one million for aeronautics, advisory aeronautics committees established, Marine Barracks, Norfolk, Va., and Mare Island, Cal. Plucking board abolished, no substitute. Officers retired plucking board may be reinstated by President in the next two years. Extra pay aviators, 35 per cent for officers; 5 per cent for

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SAYS HAWAIIAN EXHIBIT WILL NOT NEED MORE COIN

Territorial Secretary Thayer told the Hawaii fair commission yesterday that the territory's exhibit has \$48,000 left from the original \$100,000 appropriation and that with economy this can be made to pay all expenses of the exhibit to the end of the exposition.

Of this amount \$34,000 has been appropriated but not yet spent. Chairman Williams called the commission's attention to the report that a special concession in operation on the fair grounds is tending to give tourists and sightseers a low impression of native island life. The hula is danced and the performers generally, he says, are of a low moral type. He urged the commission to take steps to have it abolished by the exposition authorities. It is entirely independent of Hawaii's official exhibit.

The federal jury could not agree upon verdict in the Manuel Silva case yesterday. The trial will be heard again Thursday morning at 8:30. The charge is "white slavery."

FOR SALE

House and lot on Pahoa Ave. near 14th Ave., Kaimuki. Modern 1½-story house with beautiful view of Waialae Bay and mountains. There is a fine lawn and growing shrubs and trees. You can save money by buying this property. Price \$3200.

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2569 Jones St., Manoa	4 bedrooms	60.00
Cor. Park and 14th Ave., Kaimuki	2 bedrooms	40.00
Kinau and Makiki Sts.	3 bedrooms	50.00

UNFURNISHED

1335 Kinau St.	3 bedrooms	\$35.00
1874 Kalakaua Ave.	3 bedrooms	20.00
1126 King St.	5 bedrooms	50.00
Cor. Wilder Ave. and Alex. St.	2 bedrooms	30.00
2015 Oahu Ave., Manoa	2 bedrooms	30.00
Cor. Mokuauia and Colburn Sts.		
Kalihi	3 bedrooms	15.00
1454 Thurston Ave.	2 bedrooms	27.50
1646 King St.	2 bedrooms	30.00
702 Wylie St. and Puunui Ave.	4 bedrooms	50.00
1251 Lunaflo St.	3 bedrooms	50.00
Kewalo St.	3 bedrooms	40.00
1312 Makiki St.	3 bedrooms	30.00
1235 Matlock Ave.	2 bedrooms	27.50
Dayton Track, Liliha St.	3 bedrooms	20.00
Mendonca Tract, Liliha St.	3 bedrooms	20.00
2130 Kamehameha Ave., Manoa	3 bedrooms	40.00

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